considered for acceptance only if it is found technically and commercially attractive.

मध्य प्रदेश में मंडल कार्यालय स्थापित किये जाना

2511. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
श्री मूलचन्द मीणा :

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में किस-किस स्थान पर कितने मंडल कार्यालय स्थापित किये गये हैं ;

(ख) मंडल कार्यालय स्थापित करने के लिए क्या मानदंड निर्धारित किये गये हैं ;

(ग) क्या सरकार वर्ष 1993 और 1994 के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश में कुछ अतिरिक्त मंडल कार्यालय स्थापित करने का विचार रखती है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० सी० लेंका) : (क) मध्य प्रदेश में चार मंडल कार्यालय हैं अर्थात् मध्य रेलवे पर भोपाल तथा जबलपुर, दक्षिण पूर्व रेलवे पर बिलासपुर और पश्चिम रेलवे पर रतलाम।

(ख) आकार, कार्यभार, यातायात में वृद्धि तथा उसके स्वरूप और अन्य परिचालनिक आवश्यकताओं तथा किफायत और कुशलता संबंधी जरुरतों को ध्यान में रखते हुए रेलवे मंडलों का गठन किया जाता है।

(ग) और (घ) नये जोन/मंडलों के सृजन से संबंधित मामले का अध्ययन तथा जांच की जा रही है ।

Starting of "weekend holiday tours"

2512. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways are planning to start 'weekend holiday tours' for the benefit of the inland and foreign tourists in the country;

(b) if so, by when the said 'weekend holiday tours' by the Railways would be started; and

(c) what are the salient features of these tours?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The first in the series of weekend tours, 'SABARMATI RE-VISITED' has already been introduced from Delhi, Bombay and Jaipur. Arrangements are being tied up with the Tourism Development Corporations of State Governments for introducing similar package weekend tours to other tourist destinaitons on a phased basis.

(c) The salient features of the package tours consist of guaranteed rail reservetion in both directions in 2 AC or Second Class Sleeper Coach, stay in guest houses, catering and conducted sightseeing tour at destination station in collaboration with Tourism Development Corporation of the concerned State.

Madras Rapid Transport System

@2513. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how much funds were allotted for Madras Rapid Transport System during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) how much, out of these funds, have been spent in each year;

@Previously unstarred Question 1709, transferred from 4th March, 1994.

(c) how much work has since been completed; and

(d) by when the whole project is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b) The details are given below:

	Allotment	Expenditure
	(Rs. in crores)	
1991-92	13.00	15.97
1992-93	19.00	18.69
1993-94	19.00	17.45 (Upto 28.2.1994)

(c) Out of 8.55 Km. length of the project, the first sub-section from Madras Beach to Park Town (2.54 Km.) was completed and opened for traffic on 16.1.1991. Physical progress achieved on the project upto January, 1994 is 63 per cent.

(d) 1996, subject to availability of funds, and remaining land being made available by the State Government of Tamil Nadu.

Running of train between Nagercoil and Kanyakumari

2514. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 408 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd February, 1994 and state:

(a) what is the distance between Nagercoil and Kanyakumari;

(b) how much time would be required to cover the above distance;

(c) what would be the cost per kilometre to run the train on this routes;

(d) whether there is any train connecting Nagercoil to Kanyakumari immediately after the arrival of the train from Guruvayur;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof such as train number, time of arrival and departure etc.; and

(f) whether Government would review its decision to extend the above train; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) 15.51 Kms.

(b) About 25 minutes.

(c) Details of cost per train Km. on specific routes are not maintained. Average all-India cost of hauling a coaching train per Km. on B.G. is assessed as Rs. 177.93 for the year 1992-93.

(d) and (e) 6305 Guruvayur-Nagercoil Express arrives Nagercoil at 6.55 hrs. and 6019 Madras-Kanyakumari Express leaves Nagercoil for Kanyakumari at 9.40 hrs. Similarly in the return direction, 376 Kanyakumari-Trivandrum Passenger leaves Kanyakumari at 17.40 hrs. arriving Nagercoil at 18.10 hrs. and 6306 Nagercoil Guruvayur Express leaves Nagercoil for Guruvayur at 20.05 hrs.

(f) It is presently not feasible due to lack of traffic justification and operational constraints.

Electric Locomotives manufactured by Chittaranjan Locomotive works

2515. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of electric locomotives having capacity of 5,000 HP manufactured at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works during 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 and as on date;

(b) whether indigenous technology has been used in manufacturing these locomotives;

(c) if not, what is the ratio of indigenous and foreign technology therein;

(d) the production target fixed for these locomotives during 1994-95; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?